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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Inventors:	H. Fehrmann et al.)	Group Art Unit:	2113
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Serial No.:	10/561,478)	Examiner:	Emerson C. PUENTE
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Filed:	12/21/2005)	Confirm no.:	8165
Title:	NETWORK WITH REDUNDANCY PROPERTIES, A BRANCHING UNIT FOR A USER DEVICE IN A NETWORK, REDUNDANCY MANAGER FOR A NETWORK WITH REDUNDANCY PROPERTIES AND METHOD FOR OPERATING A NETWORK WITH REDUNDANCY PROPERTIES			

Commissioner For Patents
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Sir:

RESPONSE TO STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.104, Applicants respectfully submit a statement commenting on the Examiner's reasons for allowance. Applicants respectfully disagree with the Examiner's reason for allowance to the extent they are inconsistent with applicable case law, statutes and regulations. Furthermore, Applicants do not admit to any characterization or limitation of the claims or to any characterization of a reference by the Examiner, particularly any that are inconsistent with the language of the claims considered in their entirety and including all their constituent limitations.

Respectfully submitted,

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